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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Secretary Alger has determined to maintain Summer camps for U. S. troops in the Southern States. —— The Pope's physicians declare that his general health is good. —— A dispatch from Brussels revives the rumor that Cardinal Gibbons may be the next Pope. —— A saw mill boiler, near Cumberland, Md., exploded; three men were killed and three others wounded. ——. Convention between Great Britain and France, deliminating their respective frontiers in Africa, ha been signed. —— No truth in the report that ex-Secretary Sherman is dead; he is better and expected to recover. ——Tom Sharkey and Kid McCoy will fight at the Lenox Club, N. Y., late in June. —— F. B. Hutchinson, who claimed to be an engineer of the B. & O. Railroad on furlough, committed suicide in Newbern, N. C. —— The Cuban army has 13,219 men, all told, including corporals and sergeants. —— The 54th ballot for U. S. Senator, taken by the Pennsylvania Assembly yesterday, resulted in no election. —— In a fire at Omaha, Neb., yesterday afternoon, two women lost their lives, and twenty-one others were seriously injured, some of them fatally. —— New York markets: Money on call easier at 3@6 per cent., last loan being at 3 per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 6 3-16c; flour was steady and moderately active; wheat—spot No. 2 red 80½c; corn—spot steady, No. 2, 41½@43½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., March 21.

Temperature: 8 A. M., 49 deg.; 8 P. M., 55 deg.; maximum, 61 deg.; minimum, 44 deg.; mean, 52 deg.

Rainfall for the day, 00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .44.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—For North Carolina—Rain; brisk southerly winds.

Port Almanac---March 22.

Sun Rises	6.03 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.12 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H. 09 M.
High Water at Southport	4.26 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	7.56 A. M.

A $7,000,000 sardine Trust is coming to the front. And that's no sardine.

U. S. Senator-elect Haywood, of Nebraska, is sixty-nine years old and worth $3,000,000. By profession he is a corporation lawyer.

That $30,000,000 ship-building Trust which has just been chartered in New Jersey, is getting ready to scoop the subsidies if the Hanna-Payne bill passes Congress.

The amazing cheek of Wm. Smith, colored, of Philadelphia, sent him to the lock-up for three months. He stole a horse-blanket from a fellow citizen and then had the impudence to try to sell it to him.

The Boston authorities are taking a mean advantage of the sparrows. They send out squads of men armed with climbing fixings and long poles and they destroy the nests after the sparrows have had the trouble of building them.

The New York *Tribune* says that a portion of the city of Brooklyn abounds in houses "to let" because people can't stand the black smoke. Well, why not appoint an investigation commission to whitewash it a la the embalmed beef?

Mr. Wilson, the founder of one of the beef-packing establishments in Chicago, says that canned roast beef is a trade lie, that every can of it is boiled beef that never saw a roast. That's one of the reasons why the canners should be roasted.

The merchants of Havana are preparing to rake in a lot of those $3,000,000 sent to pay the Cuban soldiers. They are loading up with fancy saddles, gilt spurs, gay sombreros and other things for which the orthodox Cuban has a hankering.

Municipal Court Yesterday.

The following cases were disposed of by Mayor Waddell yesterday at noon: Cornelius Southerland, careless driving, costs; J. A. Jones, drunk and disorderly, $5 fine; Henry Williams, drunk and disorderly, costs; Alex Everly, drunk, $2.65 fine and costs; Tom Branch, drunk, $10 fine; Joseph Spencer and Ben Hill, arrested on warrants by Policeman Woebse for an affray, let off with costs. All the offenders were colored except Branch and Jones.

Brunswick Criminal Court.

Solicitor Colin M. McLean and Judge W. S. O'B. Robinson, who have been attending this week's term of Brunswick Criminal Court, came up from Southport on the steamer *Wilmington* yesterday afternoon, court having adjourned after a two days' session. There were very few cases on the docket and these were disposed of Monday and yesterday.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Cape Fear Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., conferred the third degree upon a candidate last night.

— Miss Mary Batson and Mr. Wm. B. Brown were married yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mr. Angus Bryant in "Brooklyn," 'Squire William McD. Evans officiating.

— The STAR is requested to announce that Rev. E. S. Reaves, of Yorkville, S. C., will preach at Brooklyn Baptist Church to-night at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

— The steamers *Hurt* and *Hawes* arrived from their regular trips yesterday and cleared in the afternoon. The *Frank Sessoms* will be down from Fayetteville to-day and the *Driver* to-morrow.

— The schooner *Cora M.* has received a cargo of lumber from the Kidder Lumber Co., for Ponce, Porto Rico, but on account of the sickness of Capt. Mitchell, she is unable to proceed.

— Spirits turpentine reached the highest mark of the season on the local market yesterday, the quotations being firm, 44½ to 45 cents. The price on the corresponding date last year was 28 to 28½ cents.

— Tillie Taylor, colored, was arrested and brought before Mayor Waddell yesterday afternoon, charged with keeping a disorderly house in "Racket" alley. She was given until Monday to leave town.

— The Grace M. E. Church prayer meeting to-night at 8 o'clock will be preceded by a song service beginning at 7.45 o'clock. All the stewards, class leaders, Sunday school teachers and church members are urged to attend.

— The directors of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company have declared 3½ per cent. interest on the certificates of indebtedness of that company, payable after April 1st. Notice is given by Mr. Jas. F. Post, Jr., treasurer, in another column.

— Justice McGowan had two larceny cases at his court yesterday, but the defendants in each were released for want of evidence. An indictment brought against Chas. Cora, colored, for disorderly conduct, was dismissed and the prosecutor taxed up with the costs.

— To-night at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium the last of the series of entertainments under the joint auspices of the Wilmington Lyceum and Y. M. C. A. Star Course will be given. It will be a lecture on Manila by Mr. Frank R. Robeson, illustrated with stereoptican views.

— Sheriff MacRae is putting forth extraordinary efforts to collect the Schedule B tax, in order that it will not be necessary to make indictments for non-payment. Deputy Sheriff W. W. King was around yesterday warning delinquents that unless they settle up at once warrants would be issued.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Clyde Line—Sailing days.
S. W. Sanders—A hot time.
W. & W. R. R. Co.—Dividend.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. H. Sloan went to Columbia, S. C., yesterday afternoon.

— Mr. C. H. Daniels, of Currie, was a visitor in Wilmington yesterday.

— Mr. J. W. Norwood left yesterday for a short business trip to Marion, S. C.

— Mr. Jacob Battle, of Rocky Point, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Prof. W. J. Newbold, of the LaGrange High School, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. O. L. Clark and daughter, Miss Anna, of Clarkton, were registered at The Orton yesterday.

— Capt. J. E. Kelley, of the A. C. L. at Florence, was in the city yesterday, and made the STAR office a pleasant call.

— Mr. W. L. Hill, of Warsaw, President of Eastern Carolina Truck and Fruit Grower's Association, was in the city on business yesterday.

— Mr. W. E. Patterson, a popular travelling man, representing the Jas. S. Campbell Chocolate Co., of Philadelphia, is in the city calling on the trade.

— Jno. D. Carr, Esq., of Clinton, was in the city yesterday, returning to his home from Brunswick county, where he had been on professional business.

— Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Grady returned yesterday from Burgaw, where they have been for several days, the guests of Mr. Grady's brother, R. G. Grady, Esq., of that town.

— Mr. Geo. B. Edwards, of Goldsboro, spent yesterday in the city, the guest of his brother, Mr. J. D. Edwards, the clever A. C. L. ticket agent. He was en route for Macon, Ga., where he goes to enter a business college.

For Receiving Stolen Goods.

Robt. Wheeler, colored, was arrested on a warrant by policeman Woebse yesterday afternoon on suspicion of having received stolen goods. Wheeler was seen in different parts of the city yesterday, attempting to dispose of a number of new pocket knives, supposed to be the property of Mr. J. H. Thomas, whose store was robbed Sunday night. He will be tried by Mayor Waddell to-day at noon.

AT FORT CASWELL.

Battery C, Fourth Artillery, Arrived Yesterday from Fort McHenry.

UNDER COMMAND LT. HUNTER

Will Succeed Battery C, Sixth Artillery, Under Orders to Leave for Manila About April 1st—Lieut. Hunter and Maj. Lucas Classmates.

Battery C, Fourth artillery, U. S. A., seventy-one men strong, is now quartered in Fort Caswell, at the mouth of the Cape Fear river, having arrived here early yesterday morning on a special train from Fort McHenry and subsequently boarded the steamer *Wilmington* for transportation to Fort Caswell.

As previously announced, they come to succeed Battery C, Sixth artillery, now stationed at Fort Caswell, who are soon to leave for Manila. A STAR reporter was told last night by a gentleman in a position to know that Battery C, Sixth artillery, will most probably leave here for San Francisco between April 1st and 5th, the date depending entirely upon the time when the transports will be at that port to meet them for the voyage to Manila. The purpose of the authorities is to so arrange the schedule that there will be a continuous trip from Wilmington to Manila.

The Battery which arrived yesterday is under the command of Lieut. A. M. Hunter of the Fourth artillery, who is doing detached service in the stead of Lieut. J. C. W. Brooks. It is probable, however, that Lieut. Hunter will be made permanent commander at Fort Caswell. The second officer in command of the new Battery is Second Lieut. P. P. Bishop, not a kinsman, however, of Lieut. Bishop, who is associated with Major Deems in command of Battery C, Sixth artillery. It will be of interest to note in this connection that Lieut. A. M. Hunter was a classmate with Major E. W. Van Court Lucas, engineer in charge of the Wilmington District Engineering Department, at West Point, they having graduated in 1887. Lieut. Hunter saw active service in the campaign about Santiago as a member of the Fourth artillery and was nominated for a brevet to captaincy for distinguished service, his name having been on the bill which passed the late lower house of Congress too late for concurrence by the Senate.

After the Santiago campaign he fell a victim to fever and was ill at Montauk Point, and subsequently at Fort McHenry.

It is expected that as soon as the new battery becomes settled in their new quarters at Fort Caswell it will be recruited from 71 men, which it now numbers, not including officers, to the maximum limit of 120 men.

TESTIMONY FOR CONTESTEE.

Will be Heard Before Notary Public Fowler Next Tuesday—Twenty-one Witnesses Summoned.

Oliver H. Dockery has been notified that depositions for the contestee in the contested Congressional election case in this district will be taken before Notary Public Jno. J. Fowler in the U. S. Court room, this city, on Tuesday, March 28th, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M.

This evidence in support of the case of Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, the contestee, will be taken under the provisions of the U. S. statutes, allowing the contestee forty days in which to introduce evidence in rebuttal of that offered by the contestant here several weeks ago. At the expiration of the forty days allowed the contestee, Contestant Dockery will then have still ten other days to offset this testimony with further depositions.

The witnesses from Wilmington summoned for the hearing next Tuesday are: Fred T. Skipper, George T. Bland, Chas. F. Craig, Isaiah West, C. H. Keen, W. A. Wright, J. W. Reilly, Clem Hill, Jno. R. Turrentine, Dr. J. D. Webster, Jeff Smith, Henry Hewett, Tye Bryan, J. M. McGowan, Geo. W. Millis, Geo. W. Price, and Col. J. D. Taylor, Clerk of the Superior Court, with election returns. In addition to these the following from the country are also summoned: R. M. Bordeaux, of Castle Hayne; Jno. Fergus, of Mansonboro township, and Jno. Biddle and Owen Martindale, from Federal Point township.

Soldiers Had No Smallpox.

The report gained currency yesterday that several of the soldiers of Battery C., Fourth Artillery, who passed through the city early yesterday morning, had smallpox and were unable to proceed to Fort Caswell, their destination, on this account. The health authorities, however, assured the people that such was not the case. The greatest vigilance is being maintained and the only case now in the city is that of Mr. Lewis Warrock on Second street, and he is rapidly recovering.

Naval Reserves All Right.

The regular monthly inspection of the Wilmington Division Naval Reserves was held last night. The inspection was by Lieutenant H. H. McIlhenny, who expresses much gratification at the result both as to the condition of the Reserves' arms and accoutrements and their proficiency in tactics. A satisfactory drill was held after the inspection.

WILMINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Will Insist That the Cruiser Raleigh Come to This Port—Deserved Compliment to Col. Cantwell.

The Chamber of Commerce will adopt vigorous methods to ensure the coming of the cruiser *Raleigh* to this port to present to the city of Raleigh a cannon, a ceremony which it has been reported may occur at Norfolk. At a meeting of the Chamber held yesterday afternoon the matter was freely discussed and a motion adopted providing that a committee be appointed to act jointly with President Chadbourn and with representatives of other commercial organizations of the city in bringing to bear such influences upon the authorities at Washington as will cause the *Raleigh* to be ordered to this port. The committee consists of Mr. W. H. Sprunt, Commander Geo. L. Morton, Col. Walker Taylor and Lieut. H. H. McIlhenny.

Another very important matter discussed at some length during the meeting of the Chamber was that of conferring with certain extensive manufacturers who contemplate establishing enterprises in this city with a view to assuming their location here.

During the progress of the meeting President Chadbourn called Col. Kerchner to the chair, saying that he desired to make a statement. He said that during the past twenty years or more Col. Jno. L. Cantwell has served the Chamber as secretary, always performing his duties in a thoroughly model manner, and on the alert for any opportunity to do any service which will promote the welfare of the Chamber. Mr. Chadbourn made a motion that as a token of the Chamber's appreciation for Col. Cantwell's long and faithful service, $25 be appropriated for the purpose of giving him a complimentary trip to Charleston on the occasion of the Confederate and Mexican war veterans' reunion, to be held April 10th to 15th. There were many hearty seconds to Mr. Chadbourn's motion, which was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr. Chadbourn, the Chamber also paid a deserved compliment to Mr. Harry Walters by electing him an honorary member. In making the motion Mr. Chadbourn said that Mr. Walters had for a number of years been an active member of the Chamber and had contributed very greatly to the prosperity of the city, and that his motion was intended as a compliment to Mr. Walters from the Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber was in session from 3.30 until about 5.30 o'clock.

Members of the Chamber in attendance were: Mr. James H. Chadbourn, Jr. (president), Col. Jno. L. Cantwell (secretary), Major Wm. A. Johnson, Mr. Hugh MacRae, Col. F. W. Kerchner, Capt. T. D. Meares, Mr. M. W. Jacobi, Mr. B. F. Keith, Mr. F. L. Woodruff, Mr. B. F. King, Mr. Thos. H. Wright, Mr. T. W. Clawson, Mr. W. M. Cumming and Mr. William J. Martin.

LAST FOR THE FISCAL YEAR.

City Board of Audit and Finance Met Last Night—Resolutions.

The regular routine of business was transacted by the city Board of Audit and Finance at its regular semi-monthly meeting last night.

Mr. H. C. McQueen, the chairman, presided, and members present were: Messrs. S. P. McNair, C. W. Yates and Jesse Wilder.

One coupon amounting to $35, due January 1st, 1899, which had been paid, was burned by the Board.

Captain Cowan, clerk to the Board, submitted a statement of the examination of the books of the Treasurer and Tax Collector for the month of February, which was approved. The statement shows cash on hand February 1st, $37,504.58 and receipts for the month $11,964.82, making a total of $49,469.40. The disbursements for the month amounted to $40,116.70, leaving a balance to March account of $9,352.70.

Bills were audited to the amount of $195.82; coupon, $35.

The meeting last night being the last of the fiscal year and a re-organization being in order at the next regular meeting, Mr. C. W. Yates offered a resolution thanking the chairman, Mr. McQueen, for the able and courteous manner in which he has presided over the meetings. The resolution was unanimously adopted. A resolution offered by Mr. S. P. McNair was also unanimously adopted, thanking Capt. Jno. Cowan, clerk to the board, for the efficiency with which he has discharged the duties of his office.

The board then adjourned, subject to the call of the chairman.

Surgeon Major of Siamese Navy.

The Savannah *News* of yesterday contains an interesting account of the promotion of Dr. T. H. Hays at one time assistant surgeon at the Marine Hospital in this city to the rank of Surgeon Major of the Siamese Navy. The *News* in speaking of Dr. Hays' eventful career says:

In 1886 Dr. Hays re-entered the marine hospital service, this time as assistant surgeon. He remained in the service only a few months, during which time he was stationed at Wilmington, N. C., resigning to accept the post of surgeon to the Presbyterian board of missions, with the desire and intention of being assigned to duty in some foreign country. He was assigned to Siam and sailed from San Francisco for Bangkok, on Sept. 2, 1889.

— Mr. J. A. Westbrook, of Mt. Olive, was in the city yesterday.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH ORGAN FUND SOCIETY.

Anniversary Entertainment Last Night. $1,375 Now in Hand for the Purchase of a Pipe Organ.

It is confidently expected that Grace M. E. church, of this city will ere many months have a splendid pipe organ. The Organ Fund Society is succeeding admirably in raising money for this purpose, $95.00 having been collected at an entertainment given by the society last night, making $1,375.00 now in hand as the "organ fund."

The entertainment was held in the church annex, was attended by a large number of members and friends of the church and proved an occasion of exceptional enjoyment. It was the anniversary of the society.

The first feature of the programme was music, "Praise Ye the Lord," by the church choir—Mrs. Mattie Chasten (leader and organist), Mrs. Jno. Frank (assistant manager), Miss Lillie Culbreth, Miss Tyre, Miss Nora Scott, Miss Minnie Purdue, Mrs. W. W. Hodges and Mr. Richard B. Clowe.

Mrs. W. H. Shaw made a report of the work accomplished by the society during the past year. She was for a long while in charge of the society, but has since been succeeded by Mrs. J. F. Garrell. This report was followed by brief reports from those who were in charge of the collections during the various seasons of the year as follows: Mrs. W. Purdue, Winter; Mrs. D. Kelley, Spring; Miss Lura Wheeler, Summer; Mrs. C. Covington, Fall.

An exceptionally enjoyable feature of the evening was a recitation, "Literary Day at Padunck Academy," by Miss Alice Craft. This was followed by a well rendered solo, *Stult's* "Marienne," by Miss Mattie Horne.

The evening was brought to a pleasant close with a recital, "Kate Shelley," rendered by Miss Kate Wells, of Canandaigua, N. Y., who is the guest of friends in the city.

The programme was in charge of Dr. W. C. Galloway who, in the name of the Organ Fund Society thanked the audience for their presence and financial aid.

REGISTRATION CLOSES TO-DAY

Election Will be Held To-morrow and Only Challenges Are Allowed at That Time.

According to the general interpretation of the new municipal law, the time for the registration of voters for the city election to be held to-morrow expires to-night and to-day is the last opportunity that will be given for this purpose.

The registration books have been open at the different polling places since Saturday, March 11th, making ten days, exclusive of Sundays, as provided by the law. It is expressly provided, also, that there shall be no registration on election day, but that challenges are allowed on that day.

At the primary election on the 13th inst., the Democratic voters expressed their wish as to the proper nominees for members of the Board of Aldermen, and these only will be voted for at the election to-morrow, and they in turn upon organization are expected to make the election of Mayor and Chief of Police in accordance with the wishes of the people expressed at the primaries.

The registration thus far has been only nominal. Several negroes have registered in the First ward and a few in the Fifth ward, but a Republican ticket for members of the Board of Aldermen is not anticipated.

Shot a Milk Thief.

Early yesterday morning Mr. Henry Fennell, who resides on Grace, between Fifth and Sixth streets, discovered a young negro making off with a can of milk which had been left, as usual, on the front porch by the dairyman who supplies the family with milk.

Having been annoyed in this way several times before, Mr. Fennell seized his Winchester rifle and fired at the fleeing negro, when about fifty yards distant. At the crack of the rifle the negro jumped almost his length into the air, and while he did not stop, Mr. Fennell is confident that he wounded him and that his identity will sooner or later come to light. He did not drop the can of milk.

A Monument at Clinton.

The Norfolk correspondent of the Washington *Post* says in the issue of the 20th inst:

"A consul to one of the Eastern principalities, a friend of the late Walter Faison, who was connected with the Department of State, and who had not heard of the death of Mr. Faison until he returned to this country a few weeks after, has decided to erect a monument to his memory. The monument will cost over $1,000, and will soon be erected over his grave at Clinton."

It will be of interest to note that the late Walter Faison's two children reside in this city with Dr. Jno. E. Matthews, who is their guardian.

An Affray in "Dross Neck."

Celestia Johnson and Josephine Pigford, two colored women from "Dross Neck," were arraigned in Justice Fowler's court yesterday afternoon, the first named for disorderly conduct and the latter for assault and battery with a deadly weapon. The Johnson woman was fined $5 and cost and the Pigford woman was committed to jail in default of $50 bond for her appearance at the next term of the Circuit Criminal Court.

NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

Executions Issued Against the North Carolina Car Company.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

Cases from the Seventh District Argued. Knights of Pythias—Meeting of Executive Committee of the University of North Carolina.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 21.

After June 15th the tonnage tax on fertilizers will be reduced from twenty-five to twenty cents a ton. Owing to the hard Winter and recent rains, which have interfered with its movement, the sales of tags this year has not been as large as for a corresponding period last year. The Board of Agriculture has power, under the law, to reduce the tax to fifteen cents a ton, when in its judgment it becomes expedient.

A. & N. C. R. R. Case.

The facts in the A. & N. C. railroad case have been agreed upon and the case will be tried in Wayne Superior Court, beginning April 18th, before Judge Brown, and go up to the Supreme Court at once.

In this, as in the Day case, the defendants set up two contentions: (1) That the Legislature had no right to take the appointment of directors out of the Governor's hands. (2) That if it did have such right it could not deprive the old directors of part of their term of office.

The term of these directors, and so of the officers of the road, expires Sept. 1. But if the first point is sustained the new directors will not go in at all, the appointment of a new board then being with the Governor. If the second point is sustained the new board will go in on Sept. 1. If both points are over-ruled they go in at once.

Two suits have been brought—one by the new directors against the old directors, and one by the new State's proxy against the old proxy.

Knights of Pythias.

The district convention of the Knights of Pythias convened at Pythian Castle hall, in this city, at 8 o'clock to-night. Representatives from twelve lodges in the district were present; also Grand Chancellor, Grand Vice Chancellor, Supreme Master of Exchequer and other distinguished Pythians. A banquet was served in the hall of the Pullen building after the meeting. An address was made during the meeting by Grand Vice Chancellor W. J. Woodward, of Wilmington. His subject was "A True Pythian."

Charged With Arson.

Two white men—Jerry Bailey and Daniel Bridgers—were brought here to-day from New Light township, charged with arson. They burned the stables and barn of a man named Sherron Sunday morning about daybreak. They were seen by a neighbor running from the barn just before the fire broke out. They were on bad terms with Sherron.

A negro woman, Mary Jackson, with her six-weeks old baby, was yesterday sent to jail here by a magistrate in this county. She is what the negroes call a "Hoo-doo doctor" and is charged with "practicing medicine without license."

Several changes will be made in the Raleigh postoffice this month. Mr. Guy Bunch, the mailing clerk, retires to be succeeded by Mr. T. B. Yancey. Mr. C. H. B. Leonard will be promoted from $600 to $800 to take Mr. Yancey's former place. Mr. H. B. Young is appointed stamping clerk at a salary of $25 a month.

Constitutional Amendment.

Mr. F. M. Simmons, Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, is preparing some literature on the Constitutional Amendment. He will, in a few days, issue a folder of six or eight pages containing the text of the amendment and questions and answers explaining it.

The New England newspaper men left here this afternoon for Durham. Thence they will go to Greensboro and Winston.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 21.—The North Carolina Car Company to-day confessed judgment for $18,580, money borrowed of the National Bank of Raleigh, and made assignment, naming Ed. Chambers Smith and Chas. H. Belvin as trustees. Execution has been issued on this and one other judgment since secured, and the sheriff is now in charge of the property. Julius Lewis, of this city, is president of the company, and John Ward secretary. Among the directors are the names of Gen. R. F. Hoke, W. R. Tucker, E. G. Smith, W. E. Ashley and N. W. West. The failure was not unexpected.

The New Hanover Pleasure Club was to-day incorporated by the Secretary of State, with capital stock of $1,000. The incorporators are T. E. Nixon, Thos. H. Platt, N. J. Burch, John E. Cowell, William R. Stees.

Articles of agreement were also filed for the Independent Order of True Reformers (colored) at Fayetteville. It is a benevolent organization for burying the dead and assisting the sick.

University of North Carolina.

The executive committee of the University of North Carolina met in the Governor's office at noon. A committee of visitation to examine the institution and report at commencement was appointed, consisting of Wm. A. Guthrie, W. H. Day and Chas. McNamee; committee to take charge of the erection of the Carr dormitory building, Thos. S. Kenan, A. B. Andrews, R. H. Battle, J. S. Carr and President Alderman. It will cost $15,000.

The Supreme Court.

Seventh district cases were argued in the Supreme Court to-day as follows: Tedder vs. Railroad, argued by J. B. Schulken for plaintiff; R. O. Burton for defendant. McDonald vs. Ingram, argued by Ray and Sinclair for plaintiff; Buxton and Shepherd and Busbee for plaintiff; A. W. McLean for defendant. Broadfoot vs. Fayetteville, argued by Buxton and MacRae for plaintiff; Ray and Robinson for defendant. Southport vs. Stanly, continued by consent.

Eighth district cases will be called next Tuesday, March 28th, in the following order: Bruton vs. McRae, Ross vs. Insurance Co., Cashion vs. Telegraph Co.

Opinions were handed down to day as follows: Smith vs. Railroad, from Sampson, order for writ of certiorari to issue. State vs. Taylor, from Lenoir, per curiam, remanded for proper sentence, 97 N. C., 489, and 94 N. C., 863. Straughan vs. Tyler, from Chatham, affirmed. Hancock vs. Railroad, from Durham, affirmed. State vs. Lucas, from Sampson, new trial. State vs. Warren, from Sampson, new trial. Gore vs. Davis, from New Hanover, modified and affirmed. Clark vs. Benton, from Iredell, affirmed in both appeals. Dillon vs. City of Raleigh, from Wake, affirmed. Motley vs. Finishing Co., from Guilford, petition to rehear dismissed. Troxler vs. Railroad, from Guilford, affirmed. Bear vs. Commissioners of Brunswick, petition of defendant to rehear granted; judgment below affirmed. Mitchell vs. Railroad, from Craven, new trial. Hocutt vs. Railroad, from Pender, affirmed.

Two of the above decisions are very important. In Troxler vs. Southern Railway, it is held that failure of a railway company to properly equip its cars with safety appliances is continuing negligence and its liability for damages resulting therefrom cannot be avoided by contributory negligence on the part of the employe sustaining injury. The court decides that the company's failure to equip its cars renders it liable for injuries sustained by a brakeman coupling cars with his hands.

In Hancock vs. Norfolk and Western railroad, the court decides that the fellow servant act is constitutional; both under the fourteenth amendment to the United States constitution and article 1, section 7, of the constitution of North Carolina.

ARBOR DAY AT CRONLY.

Appropriate Exercises on This Occasion Saturday Last—Industrial Agents.

A correspondent of the STAR writing from Cronly gives a most interesting account of the Arbor Day exercises of the Seaboard Air Line, held at that place Saturday. Speeches appropriate to the occasion were made by Mr. J. C. Stanley and Rev. A. McFadyen, setting forth the necessity for more industrial work by Southern people and recounting the efforts of the S. A. L., system in interesting the people along its lines in beautifying their homes and villages.

The most interesting feature of the entire programme was the part taken by the children of the public schools, which consisted of dialogues, recitations and other exercises befitting the occasion. Trees and shrubbery were also planted along the streets and at other public places.

To Mrs. J. C. Stanley, Mrs. J. W. Moran, Mrs. Augusta Trust, and Miss Hattie Love, principal of the public school at Cronly, credit is due largely for the great success of the day.

New Insane Law.

Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Clerk of the Superior Court, yesterday received copies of the new insane law adopted by the recent session of the General Assembly. The only change of local importance from the old law governing the insane is that the inquiry under the new law is by the Clerk of the Superior Court and the County Physician, the last named receiving no fee, from the fact that he is already a salaried office of the county Hitherto the commission of inquiry has consisted of two Justices of the Peace and the county physician.

Executive Committee Meeting.

The executive committee of the Atlantic Yacht Club met yesterday afternoon in the office of Commodore Jas. F. Post, Jr., for the purpose of transacting business in anticipation of the annual meeting of the club members to be held early in April. The report to be submitted to the meeting will make an excellent showing of the condition of the club. As previously noted, the club is planning for an especially delightful season for '99.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

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Office of the Secretary and Treasurer
of the Wilmington and Weldon Rail Road Company.

WILMINGTON, N. C., MARCH 21ST, 1899.

The Board of Directors of the Wilmington and Weldon Rail Road Company have declared three and one-half per cent. interest on the Certificates of Indebtedness of that Company, due and payable on and after April 1st, 1899, to all holders of record of this date. The transfer books will stand closed from March 21st to March 31st, 1899, inclusive.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 22.

CURRENCY REFORM.

The New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin* is a gold standard paper, but it is also an advocate of State banks of issue, and argues that such banks under proper safeguards are the only effective solution of the currency reform problem. The following editorial which we clip from a recent issue to some extent defines its position and at the same time notes some of the obstacles in the way of a currency reform that would meet the demands of the country or be satisfactory to the country. It says:

"At a dinner to visiting bankers last Wednesday night Mr. Hill, member of Congress from Connecticut, and Mr. Roberts, Director of the Mint, spoke with some tone of cheerfulness of the prospects of currency legislation at the beginning of the next session of Congress. The condition in favor of that possibility is that the Senate will be largely Republican, whereas there has of late been a cheap money majority in the Senate.

"The produce action in congress a strong and united sentiment in the business community is necessary. there are differences of opinion, not only among business men generally but among bankers themselves, that afford the politicians some excuse for their Fabian policy. Mr. Hill in his speech at the banker's dinner illustrated this effectively by relating the incident that when he was on his way to Washington as a new member a New York banker begged him to do something for the currency; he was not prepared to specify what, but on no account must the greenback be meddled with. The cashier of the same bank exclaimed: 'Why, that is the very thing that needs to be remedied.' Nothing can be more obvious than that; the greenbacks have to be kept redeemable, there ore there must be a huge gold reserve, and this is snbject to depletion both by public apprehension and by normal commercial mavement, and the Government has no way of replacing the reserve except by issuing bonds, and there must always be some doubt whether this will be resorted to in season. The greenback is the centre of the trouble; it is the thing to be cured.

"Mr. Babcock, chairman of the Republican Congressional Committee, has been developing differences of opinion among the bankers of his State—Wisconsin. Opinion has been sufficiently developed; the facts are accessible to all, and the duty of every man in a position to do anything is to make up his mind what ought to be done and then endeavor to do it. And yet we cannot complain if a member of Congress makes one more effort to find out what would be popular, and sends out a circular letter to the bankers of his State. The result suggests the need of further education among the Western bankers in the the theory and practice of banking itself. There was a very general agreement among the bankers, who replied in favor of circulation to the par value of the bonds deposited, and several other minor points on which opinions were solicited. For example, there was little opposition to having the taxes reduced. On the important question of maintaining all Government currency redeemable in gold there was a very large majority in favor. This is gratifying evidence of the strength of the gold standard among Wisconsin bankers, but Wisconsin is decidedly a sound money State, and it would be astonishing if its bankers were not in favor of the gold standard. But on the question of securing circulation by the general assets of the banks instead of by the deposit of bonds there was a decided adverse majority. This indicates that the Wisconsin bankers have not given much thought to a radical change in the banking currency of the country. Like the rest of us, they have grown used to the bond security; like a good many other people they forget the period between wildcat banking and the latter part of the Civil War, and imagine that the purpose of requiring a deposit of bonds was to provide the country with a safer currency, whereas it was simply to compel the banks to buy bonds; and, unlike some others, they have not given much attention to the proposed substitution of general assets for bonds as security. The evidence that the latter is sufficient is abundant, and the idea that making the notes a first lien on the assets gives the noteholders advantages over depositors not now enjoyed has been pretty well exploded everywhere except in the office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

"Any substantial reform of the currency involves the retirement of the legal tender notes. But that is impracticable without an expansion of the bank circulation, which is impossible unless it is emancipated from Government bonds and based upon the general assets of the banks. The more this matter is studied the more certain it is that this conclusion must be reached."

It appears from this that the bankers who have replied to the enquiring circulars sent to them by Congressmen are in favor of retiring the greenbacks, which is quite probable, for it is very natural that they should be, for the more greenbacks retired the less paper currency in circulation and the greater the demand for the national bank notes. That's business and as it is business no one can blame the bankers for wishing to see the greenbacks retired.

The presumption is that bankers who make the handling of and dealing in money their special business should be more than ordinarily well versed on the financial question, and doubtless they are, but they are very apt to view it from the banker's standpoint and favor such legislation as would redound to the benefit of the banker. That is business too, and it is also human nature, and for that reason consulting the bankers as to proposed changes in the currency system is about on a par with consulting the manufacturers on the changes to be made in the tariff laws. Every suggestion made on this line by the manufacturer is for a change by which he will be benefitted whether anybody else benefits or not, and ten to one he doesn't think of any one else when he makes the suggestions.

There are other people—the patrons of the banks—the men who have use for much money in their business, the merchants, farmers and others, who should be consulted on currency reform as well as the bankers. They might be able to give the enquiring Congressmen some valuable suggestions. Our impression is that if these were consulted the majority against retiring the greenbacks would be quite as large proportionately as the majority for retiring them is among the bankers, and it so happens that in the estimation of the average Congressman the vote of a merchant, a farmer or manufacturer is quite as good as the vote of a banker, and there are a good many more of them, a fact which will be duly considered before Congress goes to fooling with the greenbacks.

They can't retire the greenbacks without providing some sort of substitute, and national bank notes can never be that while they are based on Government bonds only, for they cost too much. And yet there is but little prospect of Congress opening the way for any other kind of banks, that is banks of issue, using other than Government bonds as a basis of note issues, for the national banks would exert all their influence against that and they would find a way to defeat it.

But we can have no real currency reform until the Government goes out of the banking business and it can never do that while it stands sponsor for the national banks, nor until we have a banking system adapted to the needs of the country, the thinly populated as well as the densely populated States, a system which will prevent the congesting of money in some sections and provide for a more equable distribution of the currency. State banks of issue are the only agencies for doing that. There is something monstrously wrong in the monetary system which makes money worth from two to three per cent. interest in some sections, and from ten to twelve or more in others.

MORE TROOPS NEEDED.

For the past few days the dispatches received from the Philippines are not such as to encourage the belief that the war is on its last legs as some of the recent dispatches have represented it to be. It is stated in the dispatches published yesterday that persons high in authority in Manila think 10,000 more troops will be necessary, as those now there are scarcely sufficient to hold the lines and police the city. When the troops ordered there arrive we will have, including the men on the ships, a force of something over 30,000 men, superior in equipment and in every other way to the Filipinos, and yet it is stated that these will be scarcely enough to hold our present lines and police Manila.

But, if the reports be true, the course being pursued is such as to alienate the natives who might be disposed to be friendly and to make the fighting Filipinos more determined in their resistance. The dispatches tell us that sentinels have been placed before every store in Pasig (captured by Gen. Wheaton), but that the soldiers were bringing in loads of "loot" from private dwellings. Loads of "loot" from stores would be bad enough, but loads of "loot" from private dwellings, which should be respected, is far worse. Has the American army become a band of looters, and is that the example they are setting the "semi-savages" they are fighting? Is that the way teach them that we are their friends or to make them respect us, or the flag these soldiers carry? For the honor of the American army and for the credit of the officers who command it we hope there is no truth in these "looting" reports.

The police of Philadelphia arrested a few days ago a trio of boys, the oldest of whom is only thirteen years, who have been stealing from the department stores for some time. One of them had stolen over $500 worth of goods. The proceeds of the sales they deposited in bank, which is somewhat out of the usual order.

A REMARKABLE COINCIDENCE.

Hon. Mark Hanna and other Republican leaders who are now sojourning in the South pooh-pooh the assertion that there is any political significance in the presence of the President and his party and Hon. T. B. Reed on Jekyl island, and allege that the simultaneous presence of these gentlemen on the island is a mere accident. If so it is a very remarkable coincidence.

It so happens that several days ago it was announced that the President and his party had been invited to visit the island and become the guests of the bon-ton club which owns it, which invitation was accepted and publicly announced; and it so happens that right on the heels of this announcement Hon. T. B. Reed took the train ostensibly for some other point and landed in due time at Jekyl Island, and was there in the solid flesh when the Presidential party arrived, and came down to the landing to say "now do you do?" to the President, who said "how do you do?" to him. All this may have been purely accidental. Perhaps it was, for some very queer accidents happen in this world of ours.

But it is quite reasonable to presume, accident or no accident, now that these political magnates are within buzzing distance of each other, and safe from the meddlesome newspaper reporter, (for the island is quarantined against him), they will manage to get together, talk over the situation and see what they can do in the way of getting closer together, and bringing Tom into more harmonious pulling in harness. If he didn't feel too large for the Vice-Presidential nomination he could, doubtless, have that for the saying. They want to get Tom out of the sulks if they can.

ARE THEY LOOKING FOR TESTIMONY?

If the Court of Inquiry which is investigating the rotten meat charges is more anxious to get testimony as to the beef than it is to discredit Gen. Miles, it will not miss the opportunity to call on Thomas Dolan, now of Boston, who for ten years was superintendent of Armour's killing department in Chicago. Dolan had about 500 men under him, who killed thousands of cattle daily. Some time ago he left Armour's service, for what reason we do not know, but a couple weeks ago he published a sworn statement in the New York *Journal* showing the methods of handling and disposing of diseased meat in that establishment. It was a most revolting expose and he concluded it with the affirmation that he was willing to go before the Court of Inquiry and testify if called. Although his sworn statement was published in a paper which circulates all over this country he was not called as a witness.

Since then an employe of the Armours, a friend of Dolan, visited Boston, his business being to bribe Dolan to contradict his statement published in the *Journal* and make it appear that he was induced to write it for reward. The consideration for this denial was to be $5,000 in cash and a trip (expenses paid) to Paris. On the advice of counsel Dolan took the $5,000, but before doing so wrote a statement setting forth the facts and his reasons for accepting the bribe, which statement with the facts leading up to it was published in the *Journal* a few days ago. The presumption is the Armours have the counter statement, for which they paid $5,000. Now if the court wants some meat testimony with meat in it, why doesn't it summon Tom Dolan and hear his story on oath?

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The more we see of the war with the Filipinos the more formidable it appears. The islanders are readily scattered; and they as readily assemble again, as troublesome and numberous, apparently, as ever; and the leaders show not the least sign of weakness. It is a long and very unpleasant task we have undertaken.—*Chattanooga Times, Dem.*

—— According to the vital statistics Portland, Ore., is one of the healthiest cities in the world. In 1893 the death rate, we are told, was 13 per 1,000. In 1898 it was as low as 8.66, thanks chiefly to the excellent water of Bull Run River, which it cost $4,000,000 to bring into the city. Denver has a death rate of 9.48, Los Angeles of 13.16, and San Francisco of 17.—*New Orleans States, Dem.*

—— The $20,000,000 to go to Spain for a "sovereignty" over the Philippines and Philippinos she did not possess, and which none but the people of those islands could possess, according to all our principles, doctrines and declarations, might have insured us the Nicaragua Canal and annexed all Asia to us in peaceful commerce.—*Norfolk Virginian and Pilot, Dem,*

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Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by "New Great South American Kidney Cure." It is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in bladder, kidneys and back, in male or female. Relieves retension of water almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is the remedy. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist, Wilmington, N. C., corner Front and Market streets.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Hendersonville *Times*: At Indian Creek, Haywood county, one day recently, Charles Roberts shot a young son of Jas. Queen through the body, as the boy came to the door to see who was in the yard. The same day Joe Owens shot a man named Watson, in the back, during a "difficulty."

— Kinston *Free-Press*: Alex. Morton, a colored woman who was convicted of murdering Julia Morgan, eight or ten years ago, and sentenced to the penitentiary for twenty years, has been pardoned by the Governor. A petition was sent to the Governor asking for the pardon. Alex. arrived yesterday afternoon.

— Charlotte *News*: Solicitor J. L. Webb, who came down from Shelby last night, reports almost a cloudburst Saturday night in that section. Fences and trees were blown down, houses shaken up considerably, and there was the heaviest rainfall ever seen in that vicinity. A portion of a large stone dam was washed away.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Miss Ann Sophie Cain, daughter of Rev. James Cain, and sister of Mr. C. G. Cain, after a sickness of only a few hours, died at the home of her brother Sunday evening near 70 year of age.

—— Since the passage of the Emergency Ordinance Friday at noon, the five members of the city Board of Health have vaccinated one thousand persons. A good number of citizens had been vaccinated previous to Friday. The physicians are again besieged to day by hundreds asking to be vaccinated.

— Newbern *Journal*: Monday morning a man who was a stranger, was found at the A. & N. C. railroad station, giving evidence of being sick, and upon examination he was found to have poisoned himself. City Physician, J. F. Rhem, was notified and at once took the man in charge, giving him all necessary medical treatment, and at last accounts the man was getting along very well. The man was afterwards found to be F. B. Hutchinson, of Baltimore, an engineer on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. Hutchinson came here from Wilmington, N. C., last Saturday night. The poison he took was arsenic, and fortunately for him the poison he took was an overdose, which made him very sick. The only reason he would assign for his attempt at suicide was that he had "trouble."

—Raleigh *News and Observer*: Sheriff Dorsett, of Davidson, yesterday brought one convict—Henry Payne (col.)—to the penitentiary. Henry gets three and a half years. He is a most accomplished harness thief, Sheriff Dorsett says. He would take an old sack and go through the conntry, stealing a set of harness from one farm and selling at the next. He stole just one set too many. —— A negro woman was yesterday sent here to jail by a magistrate in House Creek township, charged with practicing medicine without license. She brought with her a six-weeks old baby. She is a "Hoodoo doctor." Squire R. H. Horton is the committing magistrate. Her trial will be something novel, and interesting no doubt; possibly the first "Hoodoo doctor" trial ever in the State. She is a ginger-cake colored woman, about 30 years old. Her name is Marv E. Jackson.

TWINKLINGS.

— "What class is your son in at college, Silas?" "Middleweight class, whichever one that is."

— "Mercy, Belle! where did you get those startling stockings?" "Had 'em laid up for a rainy day."—*Washington Star.*

— She—"What an artistic home the Murglesons have!" He—"Yes; you can't find anything in it that you dare sit down on."

— Teacher—"Do you know what a round robin is?" Tommie—"Yes'm; it's what the burglars were doing the other night."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— She Gets a Discount: "Hasn't Caroline one of the most beautiful complexions you ever saw?" "Of course. Why not? Isn't her fiance a pharmacist?"

— "Why are they prolonging this army investigation so?" asked the Board of Trade man of the politician. "They are trying to get at the 'meat of of the trouble.'"

— Inspiring: "How is your young friend that started out to be an artist coming on?" "O, so so. He is very jubilant just now over a big contract for coloring Easter eggs."

— "Of course rich men understand that their gold won't buy their way into heaven?" "Well, I notice they never put anything but nickel or copper in the collection plate."—*Detroit Journal.*

— Mrs. Lash—"What did you get baby for a birthday present?" Mrs. Rash—"I took £3 out of the little darling's bank and bought him this lovely lamp for the drawing room."—*Tit-Bits.*

— "I called to say good-by," said Mr. Bostong to Mr. Pitt. "So you intend to shake the dust of our city off your feet, do you?" "Not exactly. I will scrape the mud off them."—*Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.*

Worth More Dead.

Sir Wemyss Reid tells a story redolent of a grim shrewdness characteristic of canny Novocastrians. "There was a worthy, long since forgotten, in my time who was a prototype of Rogue Riderhood in 'Our Mutual Friend.' He was known as Cuckoo Jack, and he lived upon the Tyne in a well patched old boat, picking up any trifle that came his way from a derelict to a corpse. One day an elderly and most estimable Quaker of Newcastle, in stepping from a river steamboat to the quay, slipped and fell into the stream. Cuckoo Jack was at hand with his boat and quickly rescued the luckless Friend and landed him dripping on the quay. The good man drew half a crown from his pocket and solemnly handed it to his preserver. Jack eyed the coin for a moment with a lack luster gaze, spat upon it solemnly 'for luck' and, having placed it safely in his pocket, said in a matter of fact tone to the soaked Quaker, "Man, ah'd hev gotten 5 shillin for takin ye to the deadhoose.'"—London Telegraph.

Not a Success.

"Then Miss Newleigh didn't make a success as a platform speaker?"

"Success? I should say not. Got knocked out on her very first speech."

"What was the matter?"

"Lack of common sense. Had a big crowd of women out to hear her, but in two minutes she emptied the hall."

"How did she do it?"

"Said she was glad to see so large a gathering of the plain people."—Scottish Nights.

Appropriate Attitude.

He stood as if carved from stone.

Those who know the circumstances manifested no surprise.

He had just been chiseled out of his rocks.—Indianapolis Journal.

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MAY DUSK RAIN.

To the morn, when the gold of the tapes
That mellowed the east for a space
Is lost in the fold of the vapor
That trails a torn banner of lace—
To the grain mingled musk of the daytime
Its lilt and its laughter belong,
But in the warm dusk of the Maytime
It comes like a sigh and a song.

Perfumed by the breath of the grasses,
Of flower weeds, tangled and tossed,
And sweet with the death of the daisies,
The season has lavished and lost;
In the cloud woven dusk of the daytime
Its mild ministration is blest,
But in the pure musk of the Maytime
At twilight 'tis rapture and rest.

As soft as the lip of the billow
That touches the argentine sand,
And light as the dip of the willow
In waves that are buoyant and bland,
And sweet as the heart of the baytime,
And faint as the wind in the grain,
In the dusk and the musk of the Maytime
Are the redolent tears of the rain.
—Hattie Whitney in Woman's Home Companion

THE HUMBLE BOY.

He Bided His Time and Got Even With His Tormentors.

One midsummer term an unfledged, weak kneed youngster, presented himself at a well known public school and was immediately pounced upon by the boys and hauled off to be broken in. They practiced all the usual tricks upon him, and he bore them meekly—so meekly, in fact, that the boys were contemptuous and made scathing remarks about his effeminacy and lack of spirit.

After this he was taken to the lumber room and sternly commanded to black all the boots for the following day. The boys were supposed to attend to their own footgear, but the task generally fell to the lot of the weakest among them, and it was a favorite plan to order newcomers to do the work unaided. This particular new boy received the order resignedly and said, "Thank you, sir," quite humbly, when one of the monitors kicked him and told him to hurry along. He seemed almost overwhelmed with gratitude for the honor done to him and promised to discharge his duty manfully if he were only given sufficient time.

He was therefore left to himself, and the boys went away in high feather, thanking their stars that a happy chance had sent such a willing slave to pander to their needs. An hour passed, and then it occurred to the monitor before mentioned to go and see how the new boy was getting on. He threw open the door of the lumber room, and a sight met his eyes which almost choked him.

The new boy had a white buckskin cricket boot in his hand and was busily covering it with blacking.

"You big idiot, whatever are you doing?" screamed the monitor. "You're rubbing white boots instead of black ones."

"Yes, sir, I am," answered the new boy with studied innocence. "That's what you wished me to do, isn't it? The others are black enough, so I thought I'd get through the white ones first. I've polished 15 pairs, but they don't look very nice somehow."

The monitor stormed and raved, but he could not renew the color of the cricket and tennis boots, and their owners had to make the best of a bad job. They've given up trying to score off guileless new boys now.—Chums.

London's "Silly Season."

The "silly season" is come to be an institution in England, and a vastly entertaining one it occasionally proves to be. It is not actually a season, but is the series of discussions that appear in the London papers after the close of parliament. Then news is scarce and British fathers and mothers are allowed to air their grievances in the public prints. The frequent inconsequence of their complaints gave the institution its name, but of late years the London Daily Telegraph has set the ball a-rolling by having some notable writer discuss a theme, which is later taken up by "Paterfamilias," "A British Mother" and other well known public characters. It was in the "silly season" that the now famous question, "Is Marriage a Failure?" was propounded, and others of equally wide interest have been advanced and canvassed in the same way.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Heads to the North.

The superstition that human beings should sleep with their heads to the north is believed by the French to have for its foundation a scientific fact. They affirm that each human system is in itself an electric battery, the head being one of the electrodes, the feet the other. Their proof was discovered from experiments which the Academy of Sciences was allowed to make on the body of a man who was guillotined. This was taken the instant it fell and placed upon a pivot free to move as it might. The head part after a little vacillation turned to the north, and the body then remained stationary. It was turned half way round by one of the professors, and again the head end of the trunk moved slowly to the cardinal point due north, the same results being repeated until the final arrestation of organic movement.—Boston Traveler.

The Lion Sermon.

The annual "lion sermon," preached in the Church of St. Katharine Cree, Leadenhall street, London, has been preached annually in the same church for 251 years. Its origin is due to one Sir John Gayer, a former lord mayor of London, who, traveling in a wild part of Asia far in advance of his attendants, suddenly found himself alone and face to face with a lion. Being a pious man, Sir John fell on his knees and prayed God to protect him in his hour of need. The prayer was answered, for on rising Sir John saw the animal walking away. Considering his escape miraculous, on his return to London Sir John set aside a fund from the interest of which gifts were to be purchased for distribution to the poor on each succeeding anniversary and a sermon be preached to tell future generations how God heard his prayer and delivered him from the mouth of the lion.

Benson and Tom Mann.

A writer in Goodwill says that Tom Mann once accused the clergy of not sympathizing with the poor. Archbishop Benson, hearing of this, invited him to Lambeth and taxed him with it. Going up to the bookshelf he took down a book and began reading. "This," said the archbishop, "is written by a clergyman. What do you think of it?" "Oh, that's all right," said Tom Mann. "Who wrote it?" "I did," said the archbishop, somewhat triumphantly, presenting him with the book. The book was "Christ and His Times," and the passage which the archbishop read was from the chapter on "Suffering Populations." Tom Mann often made use of the book at socialist meetings.

Birds' Calls.

There are many birds of which the male and female have the same call, such as the raven, the rook, the New Zealand parson bird and the gull, and to the highly cultivated musical ear a difference in pitch may be perceived which would escape the ordinary observer. With the true songsters there is little difference in the vocal organs of the two sexes, although the males of most species sing better and more continuously than the females.

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A Kipling Fotygash.

He (McPhee) was never a racing engineer and took special pride in saying as much before the Liverpool men, but he had a knowledge of machinery and the humors of ships that he had worked 32 years to gain. One side of his face had been wrecked through the bursting of a pressure gauge in the days when men knew less about pressures than they do now, and his nose rose grandly out of the wreck like a club in a public riot. There were cuts and lumps on his head, and he would guide your forefinger through his short iron gray hair and tell you how he had come by his trademarks. He owned all sorts of certificates of extra competency, and at the bottom of his cabin chest of drawers, where he kept the photograph of his wife, were two or three Royal Humane society medals for saving lives at sea.

Professionally—it was different when crazy steerage passengers jumped overboard—professionally McPhee does not approve of saving life at sea, and he has often told me that a new hell is prepared for stokers and trimmers who sign for a strong man's pay and fall sick the second day out. He believes in throwing boots at fourth and fifth engineers when they wake him up at night with word that a bearing is redhot all because a lamp's glare is reflected red from the twirling metal. He believes that there are only two poets in the world, one being Robert Burns, of course, and the other Gerald Massey. When he has time for novels, he reads Wilkie Collins and Charles Reade, chiefly the latter, and he knows whole pages of "Very Hard Cash" by heart. In the saloon his table was next to the captain's, and he drank only water all the while his engines worked. —Rudyard Kipling in McClure's.

Cured.

Mother—You say your husband no longer spends his evenings at the club?

Daughter—I soon broke him of that.

"How did you manage it?"

"Before going to bed I put two easy chairs together by the parlor fire and then held a match to a cigar until the room got a faint odor of smoke."—Pick Me Up.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	7
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	13½
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6½@	@	6¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½@	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 50
New City, each		@	1 30
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	12	@	13
Northern	30	@	32
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	51	@	53
Virginia Meal	52	@	55
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10½@	@	11¾
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12	@	16
Rio	8	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	9	@	10
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	32 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	2 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 00	@	9 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
Extra	4 35	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 50
Choice		@	3 75
Straight	4 00	@	4 25
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½@	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	53	@	55
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	40	@	45
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	55	@	65
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	50	@	75
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾@	@	1¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5	@	7
North Carolina	6	@	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M R—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
Common mill	5 00	@	6 50
Fair mill	8 50	@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	37
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	11 00
Rump		@	10 50
Prime		@	10 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 192 ℔ Sacks		@	47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	3 00	@	4 00
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¾@	@	6¼
Standard A		@	5¾
White Extra C		@	5¾
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½@	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Palme		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 50
Common Mill	4 50	@	5 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 00	@	4 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6-24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 50
5-24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
4-24 Heart	3 00	@	3 50
" Sap	2 00	@	2 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	4½
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	@	1 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	1 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	10	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

STAR OFFICE, March 21.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market firm at 45 cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 44½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at 95 cents per bbl. for strained and $1.00 for good strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1.00 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.35 per barrel for hard, $2.40 for Dip and $2.40 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin steady at $1.25, $1.30; tar steady, 90 cents; crude turpentine, nothing doing.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	24
Rosin	587
Tar	519
Crude turpentine	8

Receipts same day last year.—12 casks spirits turpentine, 198 bbls rosin, 319 bbls tar, 0 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market quiet on a basis of 6c per pound for middling. Quotations: Ordinary 3 9-16 cts. ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary 4 15-16 " "
Low Middling 5 9-16 " "
Middling 6 " "
Good Middling 6 5-16 " "

Same day last year middling 5¼c.

Receipts—171 bales; same day last year, 391.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 55 to 60c per bushel of 28 pounds; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Virginia—Extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 80@90c.

CORN—Firm; 45 to 52½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 9 to 10c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

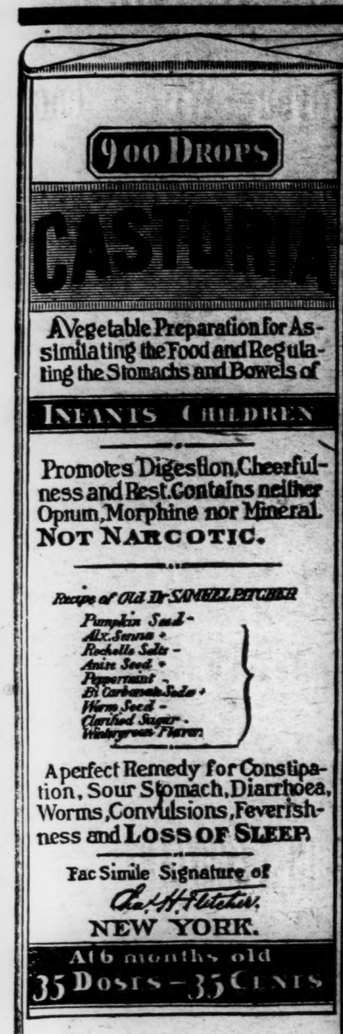
SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six-inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $2.50 to 6.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Money on call was easier at 3@6 per cent., the last loan being at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills at 485¼@485¾ for demand and 483@483¼ for sixty days. Posted rates 484@486½ and 486@486½. Commercial bills 482½. Silver certificates were nominal at 60@60½. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds irregular. State bonds weak. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. 3's, 107¼; U. S. new 4's, registered, 128½@129½; do. coupon, 129; U. S. 4's 111½@112; do. coupon, 113¼@113½; do. 2's 99½; U. S. 5's, registered, 112@113; do. 5's, coupon, 113¼@113¾; N. C. 6's 130; do. 4's, 104; Southern Railway 5's 105. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 69; Chesapeake & Ohio 26½; Manhattan L 107½; N. Y. Central 132½; Reading 23¼; do. 1st preferred 65¾; St. Paul 137½; do. preferred 173; Southern Railway 12½; do. preferred 49; American Tobacco 210; do. preferred 142; People's Gas 118; Sugar 160½; do. preferred 117½; T. C. & Iron 52¾; U. S. Leather 6½



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An Astute Astronomer.

Cassini, an Italian by birth, was the best known of the astronomers of the Paris observatory when founded by Louis XIV, and, in consequence, posterity has very generally supposed he was the director. That he failed to be such was not from any want of astuteness, says Professor Simon Newcomb in The Atlantic. It is related that the monarch once visited the observatory to see a newly discovered comet through the telescope. He inquired in what direction the comet was going to move. This was a question it was impossible to answer at the moment, because both observations and computations would be necessary before the orbit could be worked out. But Cassini reflected that the king would not look at the comet again and would very soon forget what he had told him. He therefore described its future path in the heavens, quite at random, and with entire confidence that any deviation of the actual motion from his prediction would never be noted by his royal patron.

A Poet's Trials.

The poet Rogers was rather unfortunate in his servants, one of whom, who had been a long time in his service, suddenly died. A kind hearted man called to condole with Rogers on his loss.

"Well," said Rogers after listening for some time, "I don't know that I feel his loss so very much after all. For the first seven years he was the most obliging servant, for the next seven years he was an agreeable companion, for the last seven years he was a tyrannical master."

On one occasion his favorite groom with whom he rode every day gave notice to leave. Rogers asked him his reason. "Nothing," replied the man, "but you are so dull in the buggy."

Knew Too Much.

"Do you know what conservatories are for, Willie?" asked his uncle.

"You bet I do!" replied the boy promptly, and then, turning to his sister, he asked, "Shall I tell them, Mamie?"

That being the first intimation she had had that he had been in or near the conservatory the evening before, naturally she blushed.—Chicago Post.

Dead Invited to the Banquet.

On the accession of a new emperor of China he goes in solemn state to the temple of Heaven, in Peking, and formally announces to his imperial predecessors the new titles and dignities which he has assumed. These ancestors are then dutifully invited to the banquet of commemoration, where seats are duly reserved for them.

Always Hits.

"I suppose your wife misses you a great deal?" inquired a lady of a commercial traveler.

"Well, no. For a woman, she has a remarkably straight aim," was the reply.—Pick Me Up.

INCOMPLETENESS.

Nothing resting in its own completeness
Can have worth or beauty, but alone
Because it leads and tends to further sweetness,
Fuller, higher, deeper than its own.

Spring's real glory dwells not in the meaning,
Gracious though it be, of her blue hours,
But is hidden in her tender leaning
To the summer's richer wealth of flowers.

Dawn is fair because the mists fade slowly
Into day, which floods the world with light.
Twilight's mystery is so sweet and holy
Just because it ends in starry night.

Childhood's smiles unconscious graces borrow
From strife that in a faroff future lies,
And angel glances, veiled now by life's sorrow,
Draw our hearts to some beloved eyes.

Life is only bright when it proceedeth
Toward a truer, deeper life above.
Human love is sweetest when it leadeth
To a more divine and perfect love.

Learn the mystery of progression duly.
Do not call each glorious change decay,
But know we only hold our treasures truly
When it seems as if they passed away.

Nor dare to blame God's gifts for incompleteness.
In that want their beauty lies. They roll
Toward some infinite depth of love and sweetness,
Bearing onward man's reluctant soul.
—Adelaide A. Procter.

CHAMBER OF CATS.

"There's only one reason I hate to have him come," said Mrs. Blackstone. "Only one, and that's enough, goodness knows!"

"The cats?" inquired Mr. Blackstone.

"The darned cats!" rejoined his wife, with vindictive emphasis.

"I'll tell him about the cats when I write," said Mr. Blackstone. He did. Here is the letter:

DEAR REGULUS—Of course we want you to come, and of course there is plenty of room, though it isn't the best kind of room, the good wife fears. You must know our flat is as narrow and long as the lane between your own mansion and that where you house your cows. Our guest chamber is the last room of all at the rear. It is the biggest and the lightest, but we don't use it to sleep in because of the cats. The international cat dueling ground for the borough of Manhattan is under the windows. Why don't we kill 'em? When one dies, six come and bewail his death. So we evacuated the room for night use and live in the place the landlord calls the guest chamber. There isn't time before you come to take the bedsteads down and transpose them. It takes ten days to do that, including the time spent in hospital.

So, if you can stand the cats, come, and we hope you will win your case. Sincerely,
WILLIAM BLACKSTONE.
To the Hon. Regulus McShane, District Attorney's Office, —— County, N. Y.

The Hon. Regulus McShane arrived on a Saturday evening, and was conducted to his room. There were windows on two sides of the room. The bed ran obliquely into the room between them. On each of the unwindowed sides was a closet door. One closet ran through to the bedroom of the Blackstones. It contained a fixed washstand and the family medicine shelves. The shelves of the other closet were piled high with discarded shoes, empty mineral water bottles and fragments of broken furniture.

"There!" said Mr. Blackstone, as he opened the door of this closet and pointed with pride to the display on the shelves. "That is your only relief from cats. That is the magazine. When they begin to howl, bombard them. Use the Spanish method. Don't hit. If you do, they'll only make twice as much noise."

The district attorney smiled grimly.

"I rather think I'll stay awake for fear I shouldn't wake up when they begin to sing."

"Don't you think, my dear," her husband said, "don't you think it is time to let the weary traveler within our flat go to the chamber of cats? You trot to bed and I'll take Regulus and show him what beautiful decorations there are inside the refrigerator."

She went her way and they went theirs. So well did the up country dignitary appreciate the refrigerator that it was near midnight when he parted with his host at the door of the chamber of cats. As they passed her door, Mrs. Blackstone noticed that the district attorney's feet seemed to drag a little.

"Poor thing," she said to herself, as she winked solemnly at her pillow. "He is tired. Perhaps he can't help dragging his feet, the responsibility of carrying those lovely shoes is heavy—heavy"—

As she dozed, she heard her husband saying:

"If you can, old man, you better undress in the dark. The mosquitoes are awful up here. We would have put in screens, but if we had you couldn't have got at the cats."

It was perhaps an hour later when Mrs. Blackstone awoke. The night was very still. She wondered what had waked her. In a moment she knew.

"Pr-r-r-ow-wow!" came the challenge from a half block away. "Pr-r-r-ow!"

"Er-wowu!" came the answer from under the back window.

"Will," said Mrs. Blackstone hoarsely to the next pillow, "Will, wake up. They're coming." She sat up and clapped her hands softly in her glee.

"Lemme know when they get here," mumbled Blackstone as he dug his head into the pillow again. Mrs. Blackstone sat up and listened.

"Pr-r-r-ow-wow!" The challenger was drawing nearer. Not one, but three voices answered him. For a moment, as they converged, all was silent. Then came a masterly battlecry. It was like that of a 6-months-old infant who has swallowed his bib pin.

"Will," said Mrs. Blackstone, "wake up! They've come." He sat up and rubbed his eyes.

In the next room they heard the bump and pounding of bare feet on the floor. They heard a door open and the clinking of glass.

"Goodness, Will," whispered Mrs. Blackstone, "I'd forgotten that you could hear things in that room so clearly."

"It's a very still night," her husband mumbled wisely.

The footsteps moved softly across the room again. "Slum-chunk!" The fragments of bottle tinkled on the hard surface of the yard. This noise had not died away before there arose the long wail of the overtures to cat battle

"W-o-o-o-o-o-o, wow-wow!"

Softly and cautiously the footsteps crossed the room again. Again a bottle broke and scattered. Again rose the wail of war.

There was nothing cautious about the footsteps this time. Instead of the clink of bottles heavy boot soles clattered together. The time consumed in gathering ammunition indicated that an armful was being collected.

Swat—bang—biff—swat—boom!

"T-f-f-t, wiokok!" yowled a victim.

"Thank the Lord!" shouted the Hon. Mr. McShane. "Whoop!"

Boom—slam—smash—slap—biff!

"There, by damn!" they heard Mr. McShane mutter. The silence of Sunday morning settled down again.

The Blackstones slept righteously into daylight, but not so late as they had intended. At about the time folks up the state go out to feed the stock before preparing for church there came a rapping at their bedroom door.

"Bill! Say, Bill!" said a worried voice.

"Wassermat?" asked Mr. Blackstone.

"Did you send anybody into my room to take my shoes out to clean them?" asked Mr. McShane.

"No," responded Mr. Blackstone. "What's up?"

"They're gone, that's all," was the melancholy answer. "I put them in the closet when I went to bed—the one that isn't the magazine, you know—so that in the excitement of battle I wouldn't get mixed up and throw them, and now they're gone."—

Mrs. Blackstone slipped out of bed and gingerly opened the door of the narrow closet that connected the two rooms.

"If he put them in here," she said, peering in the darkness, "they certainly must be here."

She opened the door a little wider and shrieked. Her husband was beside her in an instant.

"Look!" she cried, pointing into the closet. "Look!"

"For goodness' sake, you people," said a wondering voice in the hall, "what's the matter?"

The voice of Blackstone answered him, enunciating slowly and solemnly recounting a catalogue of things.

"One quart bottle of mucilage, one quart bottle of red ink, one quart bottle of green ink, one-half gallon jug of whisky, one bottle of Pond's extract, one box of dry plates, two bottles of developer, one large bottle of lime water"—

"One pair of russets, one pair bicycle shoes," Mrs. Blackstone took up the list. "The skirt frame. Your big shoes, your patent leathers, your winter shoes"—

"Gone, all gone!" they said in chorus.

"Have you found my shoes, yet?" asked a voice from the hall.

"Your shoes!" bawled Mr. Blackstone. "You good for nothing but shark bait, steam snowplows. Oh, you"—

"William!" said Mrs. Blackstone.

Her husband strode out into the hall. He took his guest by the scruff of the neck and led him to the window. There in the area they looked down upon such an ink bespattered gummy wreck as seldom man is privileged to look upon. On the stone steps lay one dead cat, and by his side a huge, yellow, gore stained Syracuse boot. The other rested under the largest fragment of the ink bottle.

"I must have got into the wrong closet, after all," said the Hon. Mr. McShone after awhile. "And they cost $8.50."

His case went against him by default the next day because he had to wait for Blackstone to go down town, his own feet clad in tennis shoes, and order a full assortment of shoes sent to the house "for a gentleman with the biggest feet on earth." But Mr. Blackstone was unfeeling enough to say he didn't much care.—New York Sun.

Six Varieties of Asbestus.

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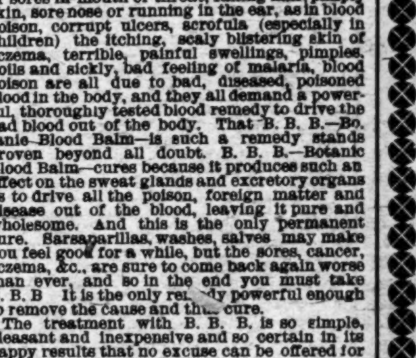

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:43 A. M., Raleigh 3:36 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:53 P. M., Wadesboro 8:10 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M., and Atlanta 5:20 A. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A. M., Hamlet 7:42 A. M., Sanford 9:53 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 3:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 403—Leaves Charlotte 9:00 A. M. Arrives Lincolnton 10:20 A. M., Shelby 11:37 A. M., Shelby 11.37 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:50 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:20 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:40 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:18 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 2:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

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South Bound Daily No. 52	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar......Wilmington......Lv	8 50 a m
3 55 p m	Lv......Fayetteville......Ar	11 59 a m
3 50 p m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	12 20 p m
2 30 p m	Lv......Sanford......Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv......Climax......Lv	3 44 p m
12 18 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv......Walnut Cove......Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv......Rural Hall......Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv......Mt. Airy......Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 62	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 63.
8 00 a m	Lv......Bennettsville......Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv......Maxton......Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv......Red Springs......Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv......Hope Mills......Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46 South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	No. 47. North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar......Ramseur......Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv......Climax......Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv......Madison......Ar	11 55 a m

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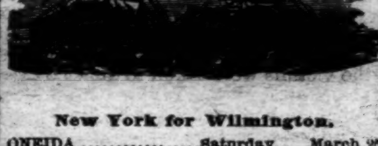

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DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.38 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M. Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M. Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.28 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.18 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 P. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.18 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 5.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.22 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.12 A. M., arrive Latta 10.32 A. M., Dillon 10.44 A. M., Rowland 11.01 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Hub 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.18 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 2.25 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Hartsville —— P. M., Bennettsville 9.15 P. M., Gibson 9.45 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.45 A. M. Bennettsville 7.10 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.02 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 2.15 P. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.15 P. M., arrive Selma 2.50 P. M. 12.01 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.10 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M., returning leave Rowland 11.01 A. M., Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 12.25 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.55 P. M., arrive Wilson 1.06 P. M., 11.50 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.29 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 9.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.13 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P. M. Daily.

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Time Table No. 3.

To Take Effect Sunday, Nov. 28, 1897, at 12 M.

GOING EAST. 3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro........	11 05	....
....	4 22	Kinston........	10 12	....
5 35	5 45	Newbern........	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 02	Morehead City.	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 22.

ON JEKYL ISLAND.

President McKinley Enjoying His Rest. Will Leave To-day for Thomasville. Speaker Reed.

By Telegraph to the morning Star.

BRUNSWICK, GA., March 21.—President McKinley enjoyed a full day of quiet and rest in the delights of the retirement and fine drives of Jekyl Island. Politics did not enter into his day, and night fell without any conference with Speaker Reed or any difference in the relations between the two Republican leaders as a result of their simultaneous presence on the island.

The President thoroughly enjoyed the rest and fine balmy atmosphere of the island. The weather for a day's outing could not have been finer. The temperature was more moderate, a delightful and bracing breeze came in from the sea, and the sun shone warm but not oppressively. The island is threaded with fine hard roads, lined with palmetto and other trees, and its forests are filled with deer and other game. The President and the entire party gained health and pleasure viewing these charms under the chaperonage of their host, ex-Secretary Cornelius N. Bliss. The only thing approaching a function was an informal sort of reception in the Baker cottage about 1 o'clock, at which all the island colony was presented to the President and Mrs. McKinley. These included Speaker Reed, who called rather late and spent a few minutes shaking hands with the President, chatting with him and the others present. He inspected the club house.

The President will take another drive to-morrow morning and ride over the sound waters on the revenue cutter Colfax, leaving here for Thomasville about 1 o'clock. Senator Hanna is endeavoring to induce Mr. McKinley to take a trip to Tallahassee, and Mr. McKinley may acquiesce, though no definite decision has been reached.

GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE

Convention Signed Delimiting Their Respective Frontiers in the Valley of the Nile.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 21.—The convention between Great Britain and France, delimiting their respective frontiers in the valley of the Nile, was signed to-night by the Marquis of Salisbury and the French Ambassador M. Paul Cambon, respectively.

Broadly stated, the terms of the convention are as follows: The exact frontier from the northern line of the Belgian Congo to Latitude 15, is to be determined by a mixed commission, it being agreed that Great Britain shall retain Bahr-el-Ghazal, with Darfur; France keeping Wadai (or Waday) west of Darfur, Bagirmi, south of Lake Chad; Kanem, north of Lake Chad, and, generally speaking the territory east and north of Lake Chad lying north of the 15th parallel. The French sphere will extend south of the Tropic of Cancer to the western limit of the Libyan desert. The signatories agree to equality of commercial treatment from the Nile to Lake Chad and between the fifth and fifteenth parallel of latitude.

The latter clause permits France to establish commercial houses on the Nile and its afluents.

The signatories undertake to refrain from exercising political or territorial rights outside the frontiers fixed by the convention.

IN SOUTHERN STATES.

Troops Returning from Cuba to be Detained in Camps About Twenty Days.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Secretary Alger has come to the determination to maintain Summer camps for the United States troops in the Southern States and the delegation of Georgians who called upon him yesterday to secure that object will be so informed. It is also the intention to maintain one of the camps in the neighborhood of Atlanta. The only condition is that the present Georgia quarantine regulations, which operate so as to prevent the movement of troops absolutely demanded by the military needs of the case, shall be adapted to the requirements. The number of troops to be located at one camp will not be large, for it is said at the department that only about 15,000 soldiers will be so located, but there is likely to be much changing around among the men. Troops returning from Cuba are to be detained in the Georgia camps about twenty days at least before being sent to their homes or to the Northern posts.

U. S. COURT OF APPEALS.

Decision Against the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, March 21.—The Inter-state Commerce Commission was defeated, by decision in the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals sitting here today. The decree was in the case of the commission versus the Western and Atlantic Railroad Company, one case, and the Clyde Steamship Company et als. in two others. In 1891 the commission sought to enforce its regulations respecting freight charges from points north of the Ohio river and seaports north of Charleston to Southern points, claiming that the railroads had no right to discriminate against certain points in favor of others which brought a longer haul. The railroads ignored the ruling of the commission and the latter sought an injunction from the United States Circuit Court for the northern district of Georgia, but lost. The Circuit Court of Appeals to-day upheld the decision of the lower court.

SAVANNAH, March 21.—Spirits turpentine firm at 45c; sales 137 casks; receipts 564 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 1,054 barrels; receipts 5,309 barrels.

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HORRIBLE FIRE AT OMAHA.

The Patterson Block in a Blaze—Gasoline Explosion—Women Forced to Jump from Windows to the Pavement. Some of Injured Will Die.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

OMAHA, NEB., March 21.—Comparatively insignificant in material destruction, but appalling in its harvest of death and suffering, was a fire that partially destroyed the Patterson block, at 17th and Douglass streets this afternoon. Two of its victims have already passed away, one more is not expected to live and twenty others are suffering from broken limbs and burned and lacerated flesh.

Killed: Mrs. Thomas Taylor, Mrs. Anna Schamel. Injured: Mrs. C. F. Brosius, face and hands burned; Mrs. A. King, face badly burned; Mrs. A. I. Samuelson, face and hands severely burned, both wrists broken; May Samuelson, five years old, burned on hands and face; Mrs. C. D. Wilson, face hands and shoulders burned; Mrs. J. C. Holt, face and hands burned; Marguerite Holt, hand burned, injured internally, may die; Mrs. Hary Hopkins, face and hands badly burned; Mrs. Mary Sullivan, hands and face severely burned; Mrs. W. A. Rex, hands and face severely burned; Mrs. Ed. Schiner, face, body and hands, burned, bad cut on head, will probably die; Mrs. French, South Omaha, face and hands burned; Mrs. A. A. Smith, face and hands badly burned, injuries fatal; Mrs. C. E. Allen, face and hands burned, cut by glass; Mrs. Thomas Thornton, face and hands burned severely; Walter Scott, hands and face severely burned; unknown man badly burned on hands and face; Steven Williams, five years old, face and hands burned; Fireman William Guider, suffocated and fell from ladder, internal injuries, will probably; die Lieutenant James Adams, injured about hips by falling down stairs.

Gasoline Explosion the Cause.

The blaze started shortly after 3 o'clock. A group of happy women, busy with the affairs of the secret order with which they were affiliated, were in a moment brought face to face with death. Sixty seconds later seven of them lay burned and bleeding on the pavements, to which they had dropped, forty feet below and the others were rescued after they had been more or less severely injured in their desperate dash down the single pair of stairs that led to safety. The fire originated from the explosion of a gasoline stove in a room in the rear of the third floor of the building and next to the elevator shaft. It was not discovered until it had spread to the adjoining apartments and the first floor was filled with smoke and flame. About twenty members of the Woman's Lodge of Maccabees were attending a committee meeting in the fourth waiting room on the same floor. They were unconscious of danger until a janitor threw open the door and told them to get out before the flames cut them off.

Warning Came Too Late.

The fire swept through the door and down the single stairway. Those nearest the door fled through the blinding smoke and reached the street with their hands and faces burned and blistered. The rest faced a solid wall of flames. There was a fire-escape at the south front of the building, but none thought of it. They rushed panic-stricken to the windows, through which the smoke was already pouring. The fire was scarcely a foot behind them. It caught their clothing and scorched their faces. In another instant the spectators were horrified to see one after another spring from the open windows. They were carried into the office of a physican across the street. Most of them were bleeding from severe cuts and bruises and all were burned. As fast as dressings could be applied the victims were taken to the Clarkson Hospital. Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Schamel died without recovering consciousness.

Aside from the fatalities and injuries to persons the fire was not a serious one. The loss will not exceed $50,000, half of which was on the building. The losses are fully covered by insurance. Various secret societies which occupied halls on the second and third floors, lost their regalia and papers.

CONFEDERATE RE-UNION.

Information As to Rates of Board and Lodging in Charleston, May 10th to 13th.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 21.—Charleston will open her homes, as well as her boarding houses and hotels for the comfortable and pleasant accommodation of all of the visitors who will attend the Confederate re-union May 10th to 13th next. The following information as to rates of board and lodging is officially given out:

Private homes and boarding houses, lodging, 50c. and $1.00 a day; single meals 25c. to 50c.; board and lodging, $1.00 to $2.00. Hotels, board and lodging, $2.00 and upwards. Restaurants, meals 25c. and upwards. Dormitories, for ladies, 50c. and upwards; also, restaurants under the control of the King's Daughters, Daughters of the Confederacy and Revolution and Church societies of all denominations, will be established. Dormitories for men with abundant accommodations will be opened at 50c.

Visitors are urged to make all arrangiment for board and lodging in advance, and all information can be obtained and quarters engaged by addressing Mr. Robert P. Evans, chairman of Committee on Information, Charleston, S. C.

HON. JOHN SHERMAN.

No Truth in the Published Statement That He is Dead.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, March 21.—There is no truth in the statements published in the United States and cabled back here, representing that John Sherman is dead. It is incomprehensible how the reports originated.

The American line steamer Paris, arrived here this evening before dark, and it was immediately reported that Mr. Sherman was not only alive, but better, resting easily and expected to recover. He will be transferred, if all goes favorably, to the United States cruiser Chicago on Thursday. The cruiser is now coaling at Kingston, Jamaica.

WINDSOR HOTEL FIRE.

Three Bodies Recovered from the Ruins Yesterday—The Missing Now Number Forty-eight.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Three bodies were recovered from the ruins of the Windsor Hotel fire to-day. They were badly charred, and great difficulty is being experienced in their identification. The first was that of a female of small stature. The arms and legs were missing. It was thought to be the body of Miss Dora Hoffman, of Baltimore, a woman sixty years of age, who is among the missing. To-night, however, two of the employes of the hotel called at the morgue and claimed to identify the remains as those of Mrs. Margaret Auze, of New York city. The men are William Curran, parlor man at the hotel, and James Trainor, a waiter. Both wese positive as to the identification. There are now five bodies at the morgue, each tagged with a number, which with the ten known dead, brings the list to 15. The list of missing is yet very large.

The injured at the hospital are all recovering. The recognition of Mrs. Margaret Auze made by the two employes of the hotel seemed to be very positive Both recognized the beaded dress, part of which remained. Mrs. Auze had been a guest of the hotel for fifteen years and Trainor said he always waited on her in the dining room. He identified her by the prominent jaw-bones and the teeth. Curran also recognized these features.

Mrs. Auze and Miss Dora Hoffman, of Baltimore, were seen, it is said, to go to their rooms on the fifth floor shortly before the fire broke out and it is thought almost certainly that both perished.

Although the work of clearing away the debris is progressing as rapidly as possible, it seemed to-night when the shift of 400 men was made that but a small part of the ruins were removed. It was estimated that with the speed with which the work is progressing at present it will be at least a week before the pile will have been gone over and it may be longer.

All during the night articles of more or less value were brought to the surface by the workmen's shovels. Many of the things found are of no value to anybody, but they are taken just as much care of by the police as if they were worth their weight in gold.

The list of missing to-night numbers forty-eight.

Action of Board of Aldermen.

The following preamble and resolution relating to the Windsor Hotel fire was passed unanimously to-day by the Board of Aldermen:

"WHEREAS, The terrible catastrophe in the shape of the Windsor hotel fire, with the accompanying loss of life and millions of property, has vividly called attention to the public necessity of the greater protection of the hotel living people, therefore be it

"*Resolved*, That the Legislature is hereby respectfully requested to pass and the Governor to sign a bill which will give the commissioner of buildings in the city of New York full power and authority to investigate, and if necessary, demolish all hotel buildings in said city not absolutely fire-proof."

THE POPE'S CONDITION.

All Things Considered It Could Not be Better, His Physicians Say.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ROME, March 21.—The Pope's physician, Dr. Lapponi, and Prof. Mazzoni visited his holiness at 5 o'clock this afternoon and found his general health good and the seat of the recent operation in excellent condition. While conversing with them the Pope expressed deep grief at the false stories circulated as to his health, especially the reports about a second operation, which had so disturbed Catholics deeply interested in his welfare. After the visit the physician declared that his condition of health, all things considered, could not be better.

Cardinal Gibbons.

LONDON, March 21.—A dispatch to the *Evening News* from Brussels revives the rumor that Cardinal Gibbons may be the next Pope.

SUICIDE IN NEWBERN.

F. B. Hutchinson, Who Claimed to be a B. & O. Railroad Engineer.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEWBERN, N. C., March 21.—F. B. Hutchinson, who claimed to be an engineer on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad on furlough, and a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, committed suicide here to day by taking arsenic. Hutchinson, who was married, lived in Baltimore. This was his second attempt at self-destruction, the first one occurring Monday when he was discovered in time to save his life. The man was very despondent and said he wanted to die as he was in trouble but did not state the nature of it. He came here Saturday from Wilmington.

SHARKEY AND KID M'COY.

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The twenty-round bout between Tom Sharkey and Charley Mitchell, which was to be decided at the Bolingbroke Club of London on March 29th, has been practically declared off, as the club failed to post a forfeit.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Woodmen of the World, in convention at Memphis selected Columbus, Ohio, as the next meeting place.

Colonel W. J. Bryan left Chattanooga for Nashville yesterday, accompanied by a special committee of the Tennessee Legislature as an escort.

Five persons were injured, two possibly fatally, in a runaway during a funeral at Evansville, Ind. The persons were in a hack and the team was frightened at a street car.

Congressman Joseph W. Bailey will be a candidate for U. S. Senator from Texas, to succeed Mr. Chilton whose term expires March 4,1901. Mr. Chilton will stand for re-election.

The Ohio Falls car plant, located in Jeffersonville, Ind., has passed into the hands of the American Car and Foundry Company. The purchase price is $2,500,000 cash.

New York dry goods market ruled quiet yesterday in all departments. Staple cottons show no sign of weakening in first hands. Prints, both fancies and staples, very firmly held. Ginghams firm throughout.

The dispatch of Lord Cramer, British diplomatic agent in Egypt, embodying the reply of the Sidar, General Lord Kitchener, of Khartoum, to questions regarding the alleged mutilation and useless slaughter of dervishes in the battle of Omduram, has been laid before Parliament.

THE CUBAN ARMY A SMALL AFFAIR.

Only 13,219 Men All Told, Including Corporals and Sergeants.

RESULT OF OFFICIAL INQUIRY

Gomez Originally Reported That There Were 42,000—The Distribution of the Three Million Dollars—Cuban Assembly—Affrays.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, March 21.—The Cuban army has 13,219 men, all told. This number includes corporals and sergeants, but excludes commanding officers. The figures are the result of the official inquiry instituted under the direction of the department commanders for the use of the military administration.

The reports of the governors of the provinces are as follows: Santiago, none; Puerto Principe, 300; Santa Clara, 4,769; Matanzas, 2,200; Havana province, 2,450, which includes 375 in the city of Havana; in Pinar del Rio, 3,500.

General Gomez originally reported that there were 42,000 privates and non-commissioned officers. General Roloff, inspector general of the Cuban army, was to have presented an accurate muster roll to Governor General Brooke, but he has not done so. As a a creature of the Cuban Military Assembly, he has joined with it against General Gomez. His muster rolls, in whatever form they may be, have been given to Senor Rafael Pertuendo, president of the executive committee of the Assembly, but the Governor General has assurances that they will soon be turned over to him.

Three Million Dollars.

Brigadier-General Ernst will assist the military administration in the distribution of the $3,000,000. It has not yet been decided whether the whole amount is to be distributed pro rata, or $100 given to each man, and the balance retained by the United States government.

The report that there are no Cuban soldiers in the province of Santiago has caused considerable surprise here, as it was supposed that there were many Cubans still in arms there. Nevertheless, this is the report of Major General Wood, the military governor.

The Cuban Assembly.

At to-day's session of the Cuban Assembly a motion was made in favor of disbanding the Cuban army and dissolving the Assembly, with permission to the Cuban soldiers to accept gifts of money from the United States if they so desired. After considerable argument, the gist of which was that the Assembly could not discuss matters of such importance without previous consideration on the part of individual members, it was decided to postpone the public discussion of the motion until Friday.

Another motion was introduced in favor of change and improvements in the organization of the Cuban army, but the discussion of this was postponed until to-morrow. As a matter of fact, to-day's session was devoted almost entirely to questions of order arising out of various motions made.

Sunday's Bloody Affray.

Senor Federico Moro, civil governor of Havana, has issued a document in which he summarizes the laws regulating public gatherings and parades and attempts to show that he acted within the law in the course he took regarding the parade of March 12 in honor of General Gomez, a course which was primarily responsible for the ill-feeling between the police and people that culminated in the bloody affrays of last Sunday and yesterday, Senor Mora says that if the law is bad, it should be repealed, but that so long as it is in force it should be observed.

Major F. Martinez, of the Cuban forces, who was shot last evening at the hotel Inglaterra by police Lieutenant Emil Cassin, the former trumpeter of the rough riders, is not expected to live. Cassin has been sent to jail. His action is generally condemned as unwarranted and as due to his excitable temperament.

FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION.

Three Men Killed and Several Others Wounded—Saw-Mill Destroyed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CUMBERLAND, MD., March 21—Word was received here to day of the explosion of the saw mill boiler at the plant of Hunson Shuss, near Mattie, fifteen miles north of Cumberland, killing Philetus Wink, Daniel Snyder, Jr., and a man named Shuss, who was the sawyer, and wounding John Snyder, Harry Sigle, and Anothy Whitfield. The boiler had been in use many years. The fly-wheel, weighing about a ton, was thrown a great distance. The mill was almost entirely obliterated. Sigle, who was within ten feet of the boiler, escaped with a broken leg.

John Bigby, who was shot by the Palmetto, Ga., mob last Thursday, died yesterday. His death makes the fifth victim. Two others were wounded.

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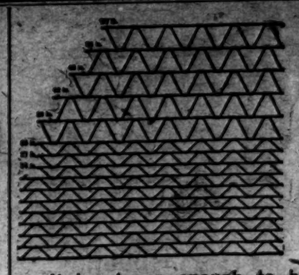

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Your Easter

Suit WILL BE READY IN DUE TIME IF YOU LEAVE YOUR MEASURE AT ONCE. A SPRING SUIT MADE FROM OUR HAND, SOME IMPORTED AND DOMESTIC TWEEDS, CHEVIOTS AND SERGES, AND FITTING YOU "LIKE THE PAPER ON THE WALL," CAN'T BE ANYTHING BUT DISTINGUE AND HANDSOME. OUR EASTER NECK WEAR BY EXPRESS THIS WEEK WILL CATCH THE EYE OF ALL.

FURNISHING GOODS OF ALL KINDS.

M. H. CURRAN,

ma 19 tf 107 Princess street.

The Election is Over,

And so is our Fire Sale, except a few odds and ends, which some one will get the benefit of.

BUT LISTEN TO THIS:

we are opening a Brand New Line daily, which we intend offering Lower than Furniture was ever sold in the city.

AS AN ILLUSTRATION.

WE WILL COMMENCE on Monday morning to sell the best Rattan Rocker for $1.25 you ever saw.

We have a first-class Cabinet Maker. Can repair any kind of Furniture, and finish any finish you may desire, White Enamel, &c.

Mattresses Made and Renovated.

THE SNEED CO.

ma 19 tf SECOND AND MARKET STREETS.

IMPORTANT STORE NEWS.

MR. BROWN returned last evening from the North, where he has carefully canvassed the markets for the best products of the world's best makers, and they will be here this week for your approval. The styles are right, qualities right, and last but not least, prices right.

Spring Dress Stuffs.

There is no Department in our store that receives more thoughtful care in selection than does this. Columns of printed descriptions would not convey to you the merits of this woven loveliness. Come in and look through; view them in the clear light of day. Buy them now if you are ready, if not, then the examination of them will be of assistance in making your selections when ready, but with Easter only a few weeks off, don't you think it is about time to buy your EASTER DRESS? We are better prepared than ever before to furnish the very Newest Creations. The assortment consists of the Latest Novelties.

WHITE GOODS AND EMBROIDERIES.

The largest line of these goods in the city, consisting of French and English Nainsooks, Persian Lawns, Dimities, India Linen, Victoria Lawn, Linen Lawn, Organdies, Checked Nainsook and Piques in both white and colored. A handsome line of Swiss, Nainsook, Hamburg and All Over Embroideries.

Matting and Rug Department.

Mattings for all in Latest Styles and Colorings. A lot of Smyrna Rugs, 36x72 inches, this week's price $2.29 each. All in good patterns.

A. D. BROWN,

ma 19 tf Agent for Butterick's Patterns.

SPRING HOUSE CLEANING IS DUE

now, and Scrubbing Brushes, Whitewash Brushes, Pails, Brooms, Sapolio, Soaps, Washing Powders and Soda are in demand, and we can supply everything in labor-saving materials of the best manufacture, and of superior quality, in anything that is needed in this line.

THE KING GROCERY CO.,

B. F. KING, MANAGER,

'Phone 387. Fourth Street Bridge.

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